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Pennsylvania Egg Production Up 6 Percent in January

HARRISBURG, PA – Mar 01, 2011 - - Egg production in Pennsylvania during January 2011 totaled 622 million eggs, up 6 percent from the 586 million eggs produced in January 2010, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The total number of layers averaged 25.2 million during January, a 6 percent increase from last year. Production per 100 layers was 2,464 eggs during the month, a decrease of 7 eggs overall from January 2010. Broiler-type chicks hatched in Pennsylvania totaled 14.5 million during January 2011, a 4 percent increase from the number hatched in the same month a year earlier.

U.S. egg production totaled 7.83 billion during January 2011, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.75 billion table eggs, and 1.08 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.01 billion were broiler-type and 70 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during January 2011 averaged 342 million, up slightly from last year. January egg production per 100 layers was 2,289 eggs, up 1 percent from January 2010.

Egg-type chicks hatched during January 2011 totaled 41.4 million, up 7 percent from January 2010. Broiler-type chicks hatched during January 2011 totaled 781 million, up 1 percent from January 2010. There were 22.9 million net poults placed during January 2011 in the United States, up 5 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier.

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